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EXCHANGE OF PROGRAMMES WITH FILM SOCIETIES
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any decision not to part the films in Film Archive, Pune with the various film societies in the country for shows;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has any plan to exchange programmes with the film societies which played a major role in cultivating alternate film culture in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : Does not arise.

(c) & (d) : The National Film Archive of India, ever since its inception in February, 1964 has been supporting the cause of film societies all over India by making available prints of classic films, both Indian and international. The Archive has been engaged in spreading a healthy film culture in the country by organizing film appreciation courses, workshops and seminars in coordination with film clubs in colleges and universities, film societies and cultural organisations. The Archive organises regular screening programmes in various parts of the country in collaboration with the film bodies.